

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Patent Application of:

Tomohisa YAMADA et al.

Application No.: 10/577,333

Confirmation No.: 8031

Filed: April 28, 2006

Art Unit: 4131

For: CHARGE-TRANSPORTING COMPOUND,
CHARGE-TRANSPORTING MATERIAL,
CHARGE-TRANSPORTING VARNISH,
CHARGE-TRANSPORTING THIN FILM,
AND ORGANIC ELECTROLUMINESCENT
DEVICE

Examiner: S. FANG

STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant submits the following statement on the substance of the interview held on February 17, 2010.

Applicants reviewed the January 27, 2010 Notice of Allowability to find an Examiner's Amendment. In the paragraphs numbered as "6" – "11" on page 3 of the Notice of Allowability, the Examiner attempted to amend the dependency of the claims to account for the cancellation of claims 2-4. However, this is not the common way to renumber the claims. As such, Applicants' representative, Garth M. Dahlen, Ph.D., Esq. (#43,575) spoke with the Examiner on February 17, 2010.

Apparently, the Examiner spoke with his Supervisor. The Examiner's Supervisor felt confident that the Publications Department would be able to handle this matter without the need for a Supplemental Examiner's Amendment.

It is unclear to Applicants what happened "behind the scenes" at the PTO, but Applicants are in receipt of a Supplemental Notice of Allowability dated March 26, 2010.

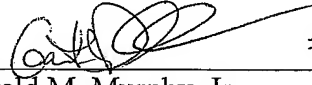
Applicants note that the Examiner has amended the January 27, 2010 Examiner's Amendment by deleting the amendment of claims 8-13.

Although Applicants have never seen a Supplemental Examiner's Amendment which amends a previous Examiner's Amendment (as opposed to replacing a previous Examiner's Amendment), Applicants believe that the publications department will be able to sort through the documents to understand the proper claim set. However, the PTO is requested to contact the undersigned if there are any questions regarding the proper claim set.

If necessary, the Director is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge any fees required during the pendency of the above-identified application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

Dated: April 27, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

By  #43575
for Gerald M. Murphy, Jr.
Registration No.: 28977
BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP
8110 Gatehouse Road, Suite 100 East
P.O. Box 747
Falls Church, VA 22040-0747
703-205-8000